Richardson, Hetty L

From: Joe Payne [jpayne@cascobay.org]
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2003 11:52 AM
To: hetty.l.richardson@state.me.us

Subject: Stakeholder Group

Hi Hetty,

As the group that got Sen. Brennan and Rep. Adams to introduce cruise ship bills we certainly want to come to these meetings. I'm available on the 11th or the 24th.

I applaud the amount of material that you have on the DEP website. You might want to include some websites with cruise ship related info like:

Bluewater Network <u>www.bluewaternetwork.org</u>

International Council of Cruise Lines www.iccl.com

Ocean Conservancy <u>www.oceanconservancy.org</u>

Port of Portland, Ocean Gateway www.oceangatewaymaine.org

Ross Klein <u>www.cruisejunkie.com</u>

EPA www.epa.gov/owow/oceans/cruise_ships/

Oceana www.oceana.org

Our concerns, simply put:

Closing the gap between what federal law allows and what is safe and equitable for Maine waters and Maine people. We would like to see action on water discharges - black, gray, oily bilge, and ballast, and on air discharges which can end up in state waters.

We are glad to be of any help that we can be. Looking forward to meeting you, Joe

Joe Payne
Casco BayKeeper
Friends of Casco Bay
2 Fort Road
South Portland, ME 04106
(207) 799-8574 fax 799-7224
general e-mail = keeper@cascobay.org